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High-Class Hardy Nursery Stock

Grown and for Sale by The
Renfrew Nurseries Co., Ltd.

HIGH-CLASS
STRAWBERRY
PLANTS
and
HARDY
ORNAMENTAL
SHRUBS
A SPECIALTY.

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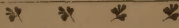
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Introductory.



We wish to announce to the many people who receive this Catalogue, that it is but an enlargement of the business formerly known as The Renfrew Nurseries, which enlargement has been rendered necessary by the rapid increase in the demand for our hardy northern-grown nursery products. The satisfaction given to our many patrons of the past, has been of such a nature that the past management was unable to keep pace, in supply, with the rapid increase in demand, so a thorough reorganization has been effected, and sufficient capital added to enable us to make long strides in the race between demand and supply, and we now hope to be able to produce sufficient stock to supply the demands of our many satisfied patrons of the past, and of all others who may in future favor us with their esteemed patronage.

While we made a heavy increase in our stock and equipment last season, we propose making a still heavier increase the coming spring; and with the organization now prevailing we hope to be able to give our patrons better attention even than in the past. While the last season was the most disastrous in our experience for newly set plants, due to the heavy winds all spring, which dried out the roots of all plants that were not very firmly planted in the ground, we are very thankful that we have had very little complaint from our customers. We ourselves lost more plants last spring than we have lost altogether since we started business. We have an excellent stock for next spring, and we hope to be able to give our customers the very best possible satisfaction. Our sales last season were nearly three times as large as we were ever favored with before, and this, with the early opening of spring, made it impossible to give as careful attention

to the delivery as we would have liked, but our present organization, will we hope enable us to give the most careful attention to every detail.

MODE OF SHIPMENT.

We ship most of our stock, especially strawberry plants, by express, thus ensuring the delivery in the shortest possible time, but we can ship small parcels by mail, which is cheaper. Bear in mind that where not otherwise mentioned we pay express or postage, as the case may be, and do not, like many others, get orders at very low prices and then charge our customers with the packing, boxes, and even in some cases, the moss put about the roots, and further compel them to pay express, and if a parcel is lost in transit, the customer must pay for it just the same. We guarantee a safe delivery to all, but where desired, we will quote very low prices for the stock delivered at our station, if our responsibility is allowed to end there, as with other nurserymen.

Our shipping facilities are unexcelled. Eighteen passenger trains leave our town every day but Sunday, going north, south, east and west, thus carrying our stock to our customers with the greatest possible despatch.

We start to ship about the 20th of April and can fill orders till about the 20th of May, but we do not care to ship anything after that date.

TERMS.

Unknown parties are requested to accompany their orders with the cash, except in the case of large orders, when, upon receiving satisfactory reference, we will ship, payable on delivery of goods, or where desired, by a slight addition to price, we will give a few months' credit.

While we make a specialty of high-class strawberry plants, and pride ourselves in having the largest and best assortment of any Nursery in Canada, we can also supply almost anything in our line that is hardy enough to stand our climate.

The growing prominence of the Strawberry as a commercial product has led us to make a specialty of it, and we aim to keep in stock all the old worthy varieties, and also to test and report on all new varieties that give promise of merit. We recommend only such varieties as, after thorough trial, we know to be worthy of general planting, and our customers need not fear planting such varieties as we recommend. We will in no case laud any variety more highly than we honestly believe it deserves, as we wish to cause our patrons no disappointment, and to give them only such stock as will bind their trade to us for all time to come.

PROFITS OF BERRY-GROWING.

As to the profits of strawberry growing, we will enumerate the experience of a few of our patrons:—

Robert Leitch, of Renfrew, paid us \$30 for plants in the spring of 1899. Although he had never had any experience in berry growing before, and had a large farm and stock to look after, and was not in a position to realize from his berries anything like as much as he could have if he had had more time, yet he realized a cash profit from his acre of berries the next year of over \$300.

Wm. Palmer, of Renfrew, from a bed forty-seven feet wide by sixty-two feet long, sold over forty-five dollars' worth of berries, besides supplying his family with all they wished to use.

Frank Williams, of Billings Bridge, says: "I have been in the gardening business for thirty years; during that time I have had nursery stock from many leading firms, but of late have purchased anything wanted in that line from W. J. Kerr, Renfrew, and have never had as good all-round satisfaction from any other firm, our berries in season of 1901 being the finest in the market, and the yield

was pronounced by old and experienced growers as one of the largest they had ever seen."

Samuel Baker, of Harbord, Ont., had one acre of ground fruiting in 1901. From this he sold about 11,000 baskets of berries, besides supplying his family. Average price about 7 cents a basket, totalling about \$770 off one acre. These plants were bought from the Renfrew Nurseries.

These are only a few of the many who have made large sums of money from small investments in our high-bred strawberry plants. We could go on giving similar instances indefinitely, but these are sufficient to prove that those who plant such strong, vigorous stock as we produce, and who give them reasonable care, can easily make very large profits. It does not require a great amount of skill or labor to grow berries successfully, if the work is done at the proper time. We give full and explicit information on how to grow them successfully in a little circular that we mail to all our customers before we ship the plants. In fact we do all in our power to aid our customers in making a success of any stock bought from us.

In concluding, we wish to say, that if those farmers who have a little piece of ground suitable for berry-growing, and who find it a hardship to pay their grocers' bills, would invest four or five dollars in good strawberry plants, and give them to the women to take care of, if they do not wish to do so themselves, they will find a very wholesome addition to their bill of fare, and enough berries may be sold to pay all the grocery bills for the year.

Also, if those who find it difficult to keep their boys at home on the dreary old farm would buy a few thousand strawberry plants and make the boys a present of them on condition that they stay at home and take care of them, they will soon find their boys have a new and valuable attraction on the farm, as well as a source of procuring means to dress as well as their neighbor's boys.

The Strawberry.

Nature's greatest horticultural blessing, the wholesome, luscious, appetising strawberry, the blessing of the poor, the luxury of the rich, the health-giving, blood-cleansing, brain-clearing, mortgage-lifting strawberry.

Believing that there is more money in strawberries, properly managed, than in any other product of the soil, we have made it our specialty and pride ourselves in having the largest and best selection of any Nurseryman in Canada, and it is our aim to give our patrons the very best plants that can be grown. There is an old saying, that "man was made to mourn," but those who plant our high-bred, well-fed strawberry plants, and take good care of them, do not mourn, but rejoice with exceeding great joy, especially when they see the superiority of their fruit, in point of size, quality, and yield, over that of their neighbor's, who is too stingy to buy good plants, and continues that time-worn method of setting plants from old run-out beds, and succeeds in growing only inferior little rubbish, that is almost, if not quite, unsaleable.

First of all the fruits in the month of June comes the beautiful strawberry, with its health-giving acids, to cool and cleanse our blood after having lived during winter on heavier foods which, to a greater or less extent, have filled our systems with impurities, which cause that dull, listless, languid feeling, leading us to seek some "spring medicine" to cleanse our systems and fit us for the hot weather of summer. There is no better spring medicine than the acids of the strawberry. Those who partake of it bountifully, in its fresh, ripe state, will have a much healthier body and clearer brain, and be able to manage their duties much more skilfully than the cloudy-brained individual who has "no time to grow strawberries," and is too stingy to buy them. We claim that any head of a family who fails to provide a bountiful supply of this health-giving fruit for his family is guilty of a serious sin of omission. He should think of the great plea-

sure of his neighbor's family, who are permitted to enjoy this luxury to the full. Some say they have "no time to grow berries," or "can buy them cheaper than they can grow them." Both statements are absolutely contrary to fact. Any man who has a piece of loamy soil that will grow good corn can grow good strawberries, and those who neglect to plant them, refuse to buy but a very limited quantity, and the family are deprived of much pleasure that could be very easily obtained. Besides, many parents who neglect to grow berries because they have no time, and who refuse to buy them because they say they cannot afford it, find the money to buy candies, etc., to destroy the stomachs and constitutions of their children, and also to pay the doctor for attending them; while, were they a little more considerate and provided their children with a bountiful supply of fresh, ripe fruit they would find it much cheaper, and their children would grow up with much stronger, healthier bodies and clearer minds, and accomplish much more in the world.

Then, think of the toil, worry and discouragements of the good wife and mother, who is compelled to resort to the potato bin, flour and pork barrel for almost her whole supply from which to provide her table. She labors hard, long hours for her children and her home, and what a gloomy home many of the best women of this fair country have. She naturally will compare her unhappy lot with that of her neighbor's wife, whose husband is considerate enough to provide a good garden of fruit and vegetables, to which his wife and family have free access, and in consequence are much happier, healthier and wealthier.

THE MAN WHO GROWS A GOOD GARDEN IS THE PROSPEROUS ONE.

It is a fact that almost universally we find the man who has "no time to cultivate a garden," or who says he "can buy fruit cheaper than he can grow it," is the one whose barn doors are off the hinges, the fences are down, the cattle destroy his crops, the pigs sleep under the kitchen, the hens roost on the door step,

and there is a general atmosphere of poverty, desolation and want about the place, and when the children grow up they loathe their home and disrespect the father who provided it, and as soon as they are old enough to defy the father's authority, they bid him good-bye and take themselves to the city, and become, many of them, barroom loafers and street brawlers, and end up in our penitentiaries, or in the drunkard's grave. At the same time, the more sensible man provides an ample garden for his family's supply, and also a beautiful lawn or grounds about his home. His children are proud of their home, and bless their father who provided it, and only the gentle wooing of some sweet-tongued stranger can entice them away. But when they go they go with clearer brains, purer minds and healthier bodies, and are much better fitted to fill the duties of life. There is always a longing love for the old home, where they spent their happy childhood and youth. Their father was to them a father in truth and in deed, and in his old days their love does not grow cold.

Those happy-go-lucky, slipshod individuals who neglect to grow a plot of berries for their family's use should know that 200 plants, planted on a very small piece of ground, and well cultivated during part of the time they have been in the habit of sitting in the shade smoking or loafing around the corners or village store, will provide a bountiful supply of the best fruit the Almighty ever provided for his erring children. And just think of the added comforts and pleasures they will give, not only to the good wife, who finds an opportunity to add a welcome variety to her table, but to the whole family, the lord of the home included, who finds they have a delicious addition to their former meagre bill of fare. To all who are not growing strawberries, and who have a little piece of land upon which they can be successfully grown, we would say—it is your duty to grow them. It is almost a crime against your family and yourself, and, in fact, humanity at large, to neglect it.

Then, to those who have been trading plants with their neighbors, and digging plants from old, run-out beds, we will say—Don't be an old fogey. Give up that time-

worn method of producing little rubbish of berries. Buy a few plants of some of the best varieties; get the best plants that grow; get them from us, as we produce plants second to none on the continent, and at very low prices. In this way you will have much finer berries and more of them, for the same land and labor.

OUR HIGH-BRED STOCK BETTER THAN RUN-OUT STOCK.

To the commercial grower we would say—Discard your old run-out varieties. The best plants that can be procured take no more land or labor to produce twice or thrice as many berries of a much more marketable quality. Buy a few thousand plants from us, of some of our best varieties. Get a stock in this way that will produce you much more fruit, and of a much more marketable quality. Bear in mind, we have the largest and best selection of varieties of any nurseryman in Canada. Plant our stock and you will make money, get rich, grow fat and be happy. We make a specialty of high-class strawberry plants, and our stock is A. 1 in every respect, and our prices are from 25 to 100 per cent. less than the prices of most of the large Canadian nurseries. We take all our plants from young beds set the previous spring, which were not allowed to fruit at all to weaken the progeny, and which have received very high cultivation.

Our grounds and packing sheds are only about half a mile from the stations.

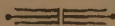
Do not set weak, puny plants from old run-out beds, or plants that have been carelessly grown or taken from the edges of fruiting rows.

Such plants take as much time, labor and land to produce half a crop as our strong pure-bred plants do to produce a double crop of fruits of far superior quality. We know some growers who advertise very cheap plants, and who dig their stock from the edges of fruiting rows, and others who dig from old run-out beds.

Such plants are dear at any price, and usually yield a full crop of disappointment. Bear in mind, we guarantee our stock pure and true to label, in default of which we will replace it free or refund the purchase price.

Strawberries are as easily grown as corn, and we furnish all our customers with full instructions for planting and cultivating.

List of Varieties of Strawberry Plants.



We have more than twice as many varieties as any other leading Nurseryman in Canada.

1. AROMA—

Strong, healthy plant; fruit large, roundish, conical, glossy red, of excellent quality, fairly productive, late.

2. ATLANTIC—

A new variety that we have not fruited yet, but a variety highly recommended.



BISEL.

3. AUGUST LUTHER—

Highly recommended by some, but not promising at the Experimental Farm. Too small, and not productive.

4. BARTON'S ECLIPSE—

Foliage healthy, plant vigorous, fruit large, bright red, inclined to have white tips, irregular, wedge-conical, flesh moder-

ately firm, bright red, sub-acid, medium quality.

5. BEDER WOOD—

The heaviest yielding very early berry I have fruited. Although the berry is only medium size, and not firm enough for distant shipment, it is a profitable variety for home market, owing to its productiveness and early ripening.

6. BISMARK—

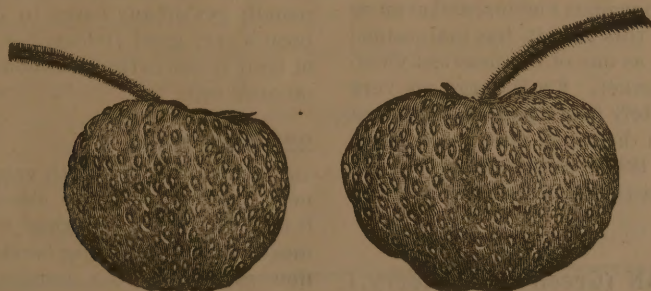
A healthy vigorous plant. Fruit good quality, but with us inclined to produce too many buttons. Season medium to late.



BUBACH.

7. BISEL P.—

Seeding of the old Wilson; fine healthy plant and good yielder, being third in point of yield in a test of some 200 varieties at the Central Experimental Farm at Ottawa last year. Fruit large dark red and good quality. Season medium.



BEDER WOOD.

8. BRANDYWINE—

Fruit large, firm and good quality. A very fine late berry for the home garden.

9. BUBACH P.—

Fruit large to very large, often measuring five to six inches in circumference. Bright light red in color, medium in firmness. This is a fine berry for the amateur. Plant absolutely healthy, with dark glossy leaves, and is well suited for hill culture. It stood eighth for productiveness at Experimental Farm last year, but is not usually productive enough to be profitable to grow on a large scale for commercial purposes, except on very rich ground. Season, medium early.

10. BUSTER—

For description see next page.

11. CHAPPAIS—

We received this variety from a man of this name in Kamouraska County, Que., four years ago, for White Alpine. But upon opening the package we at once saw it was not White Alpine, as the large vigorous leaves would show. We have fruited it two years and are much pleased with it, but have not recognized its true name as yet, and until we do we will name it after the man from whom we got it. It is a fine all-round berry so far, and we shall plant a good stock of it this spring.

12. CLIMAX—

Another new variety we have not fruited yet.

13. CLYDE—

This variety has been greatly in demand the past three years. Until this year it has been an enormous yielder, and even on moist ground this year it has maintained its reputation as one of the heaviest yielders on the market. Fruit large to very large, moderately firm; pale red, pleasant flavor. Plant healthy, but makes few runners. In 1898 it yielded third best of 200 varieties at the Experimental Farm at Ottawa.

14. CORSICAN (Green's Big Berry.)

A fine large berry for the home garden.

15. CRESCENT P.—

An old reliable cropper. Although the berry is not very large and of only medium quality, it can always be relied upon for a heavy crop, and is a valuable commercial berry.

16. CYCLONE—

A medium early berry, parent of the Clyde and resembles Clyde in foliage and color of fruit, but makes many times more runners, and fruit is not so large as that of Clyde. It is a first-class pollenizer for medium early pistillates. It is of good quality, a good shipper and a good yielder.

17. DOMINION—

A late berry of high quality, but plants rust badly.

18. EDGAR QUEEN P.—

Fruit above medium size, bright red; medium quality. Not specially desirable.

19. EMPEROR—

Foliage healthy, plant vigorous, fruit large pointed-conical, bright, but deep red, firm, flesh pale red, mild sub-acid, good flavor, good quality.

20. EMPRESS—

Foliage healthy, plant moderately vigorous, fruit above medium in size, deep red, wedge conical, firm, flesh pale red, moderately juicy, mild sub-acid, good quality.

21. ENCHANCE—

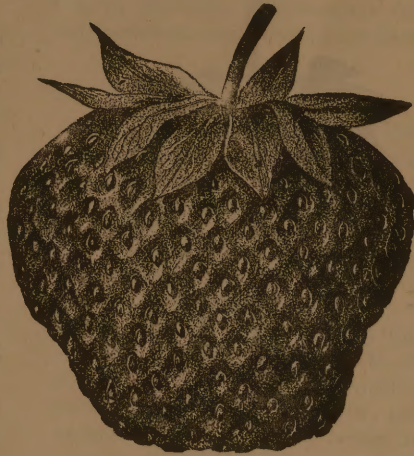
A second cropper, always yielding a few berries in the fall. I have picked in November of this variety as fine berries as we usually get off any berry in June. It has been a very good yielder, but the quality of fruit is not extra. It should be grown on good soil.

22. ENORMOUS P.—

A beautiful berry, with very prominent neck, making it easy to clean. The neck is of a waxy pink, making it one of the most attractive-looking berries. This is a fine variety for the amateur or for the home garden.

Buster.

The
Money-Maker
For
The Million.



This is a Buster in earnest. It is without a doubt the best medium late berry we ever fruited. Following is the report from the Experimental Farm at Ottawa:—

“BUSTER. Although this variety was described in the Report of 1900, it is so little known that it will bear further remarks. This variety is not yet advertised by many nurserymen, although it is one of the best. A few plants were obtained from C. C. Stone, of Illinois, in 1895, and for the past five years it has proved itself one of the most productive sorts. It is said to be a cross between Bubach and Sharpless. It is a pistillate variety, medium late in season, of large size, bright light red, moderately firm and of medium quality. The points which make it superior to many other varieties are its long fruiting season, the fact that it holds its size well to the last picking, its good foliage, and its great productiveness.”

This is an unprejudiced report from an undisputed authority, one that is not interested in selling it, and we feel fully justified in giving it the most prominent place in our Catalogue. In a test of 217 varieties, fruited at the Experimental Farm, the last three seasons, Buster stands second for average yield, and is only exceeded by one, the Mele, which is a poor quality and too soft for a commercial berry.

It has also been tested at the Agricultural College, at Guelph, with much the same results as at Ottawa. We have no hesitancy in saying that it is the most profitable berry we ever grew, and all up-to-date growers should not delay in getting a stock of them.

Our prices are very low for such a valuable new berry, and all our customers can afford to try it.

Many varieties that do not begin to compare with it have been sold at ten times as high a price.

We wish all our customers to try the BUSTER.

PRICE: {	Per 100				\$2.00
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ENORMOUS.

23. EUREKA P.—

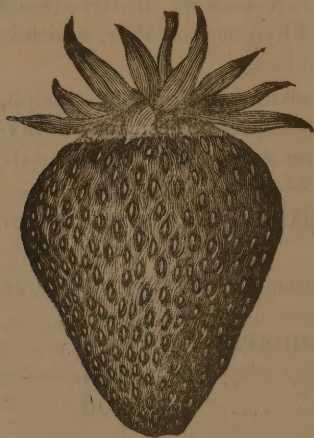
A good yielder, but berry is not very attractive in appearance. A fairly valuable late berry.

24. EXCELSIOR—

This is one of the most promising first early berries. It is very early, a good shipper, dark red to the centre, productive, thrifty growth.

25. GANDY—

An old standard late berry, but requires strong moist soil to yield well. Berry is fine quality and one of the very best shippers.



GARDNER

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A fine yielder of attractive looking acid berries. The plant is very thrifty and rust proof.

27. GLEN MARY—

Highly lauded in many quarters, but has not been much of a success with us. Berries large and of fair quality, but too soft.

28. GRENVILLE P.—

One of our favorite market berries. It headed the list for productiveness at the Experimental Farm at Ottawa last year. It is a large berry, of splendid quality, moderately firm, bright red in color. A splendid all-round berry for any purpose. It has a peculiarity of turning up the edges of the leaves and showing the under sides. Season medium.



GRENVILLE.

29. HAVERLAND P.—

A standard commercial berry. Fruit good size, moderately firm, of attractive appearance and fair quality. On good soil and with good cultivation it is an immense yielder.

30. HOLLAND P.—

A large berry, inclined to be irregular, rather pale red. Soft and not very good quality.



HAVERLAND.

31. IOWA BEAUTY—

A fairly productive variety of good quality. Above medium size; not very desirable.

32. IRENE P.—

A very promising new variety. Plant vigorous and healthy; fruit fairly good size; firm good shape. Beautiful rich dark crimson, with bright yellow seeds and a varnished appearance. Headed the list for yield at the O.A.C., Guelph, in 1899. Season medium late.

33. JESSIE—

A capricious maid. Treat her kindly and she will reward you with fine large berries of good quality, but on anything but strong moist soil and with high cultivation it is a failure.

34. JOHNSTON'S EARLY—

This has not maintained its reputation. The berry is too small to be of much value.

35. JUMBO—

Similar to Dominion, only does not rust so badly.

36. LOVETT—

One of our favorite commercial berries; a heavy yielder, a strong staminate, mak-

ing it an excellent fertilizer for medium season pistillates. Berries are firm, good shippers and attractive in appearance.

37. MARY—

This has produced some of the largest berries we ever saw. It is a strong healthy plant. Quality is not extra, but it makes a fine strawberry for exhibition.

38. MARSHAL—

A favorite berry with the amateur. Fruit very large, dark red and high-flavored. Quality is first-class. It is one of the finest berries in cultivation for the home garden, but is not productive enough for a commercial berry, and must have good soil and cultivation.

39. MARGARET—

A very strong, healthy variety. Fruit medium to large; good quality, dark red. Season medium to late.

40. MICHAEL'S EARLY—

A very early berry of very good quality, grown extensively in some sections, but it is not productive with us.

41. MICHIGAN—

A valuable late berry. Fruit large, deep crimson, and of good quality.

42. MANWELL—

A fine bright, glossy, crimson berry, a good yielder, a splendid pollenizer. Season medium.

43. NICK OHMER—

This is a very fine berry for the amateur, producing beautiful large nice-shaped berries of good quality.

44. NO. 161—

This is a seedling, got from Prof. Craig when horticulturist at the Experimental Farm at Ottawa. It resembles the wild berry very much in appearance and flavor. Quality is extra fine, but not productive enough for a commercial berry.

45. PARKER EARLE—

On strong moist soil this variety is a wonder, but does not yield well under unfavorable conditions. We have known it to yield at the rate of \$800 to the acre in Brockville district, but this was under very favorable conditions. Season late.



PARKER EARLE.

46. PARKER EARLE IMPROVED—

We do not see any improvement in this over the old variety. Season late.

47. PONDEROSA—

A good heavy yielder and a fair market berry.

48. RIDGEWAY—

A firm attractive berry, of good quality. Plant a strong grower and good yielder. Season late.

49. RIO—

A very early berry, of good quality, fairly productive.

50. RUBY—

We fear this variety is not true to name. We got it from a nurseryman who bears an unenviable reputation for sending out stock not true to name, and it does not correspond with his description of it.

51. ROUGH RIDER—

We paid \$40.00 per 1,000 for this variety, but it does not begin to compare with Buster. The introducer very much overestimated it.

52. SADIE—

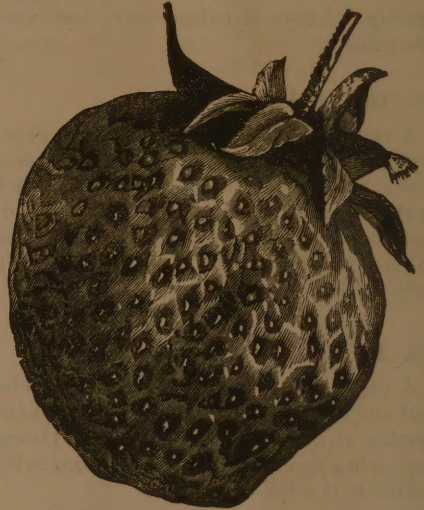
Fairly good yielder and good color, but too small.

53. SATISFACTION—

An attractive berry, bright red, of good quality, medium yielder.

54. SAMPLE P.—

A large moderately firm, bright red berry, of medium quality. A fairly good late market berry. This variety took fourth place for yield at the Experimental Farm this year.



SAMPLE.

55. SAUNDERS—

A good reliable late market berry, of Canadian origin. Quality good. Plant rusts considerably, but it has always yielded a heavy crop of fine fruit with us.

56. SENATOR DUNLAP—

Foliage healthy, plant vigorous, fruit large, deep glossy red, wedge to long wedge conical, moderately firm, flesh rich red, sub-acid, quality good, a handsome berry. Promising.

57. SEAFORD P.—

This variety is highly recommended in some quarters. The fruit is very fine, but for some reason we cannot explain, our plants set last spring have made no young plants, and a great many of the old ones have died out, so we have no plants to offer for sale.

58. SHARPLESS—

One of the old well-known berries. On good soil and with good care this variety yields some very fine fruit, but it is solely an amateur's berry.

59. SPARTA—

Above medium in size, quality good; a very good berry, but not very attractive in appearance.

60. STAR—

This variety is very similar to Sharpless.

61. STANDARD—

Fruit good size, but irregular; pale red. Quality above medium. Season medium.

62. STONE'S EARLY P.—

A heavy yielding very early berry; fruit below medium size. Quality above medium.

63. TENNESSEE PROLIFIC—

A productive medium early berry; a desirable variety. Fruit large, quality good, bright red and very attractive; a first-class all-round berry.

64. VAN DEMAN—

A very early berry, of good quality, very productive under good treatment, but otherwise a poor yielder.

65. WARFIELD P.—

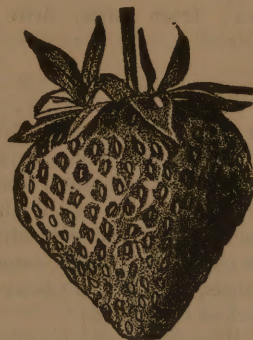
On moist soil this is one of the heaviest yielders, but is short rooted, and will not stand drought well. Berry is a very dark color, and excellent for canning and preserving. Under favorable circumstances this is a valuable commercial berry. Season early.

66. WILLIAMS—

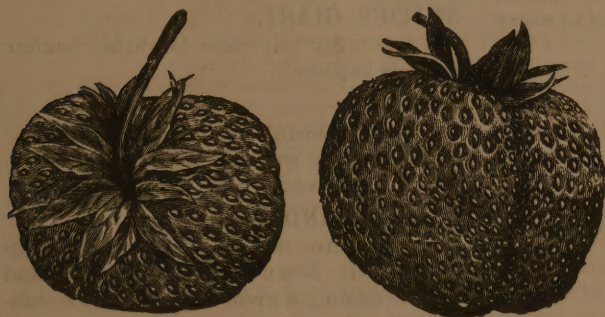
Another old reliable yielder, one that may be depended upon for a crop every time. Fruit dark red, but inclined to be green-tipped.

67. WILSON'S ALBANY—

This was once the best berry on the market, and by many growers it is still given a very prominent place, but we consider we now have many varieties superior. The berry is a fine-looking, firm, good shipping berry. Season medium.



WILSON'S ALBANY.



TENNESSEE PROLIFIC.

68. WM. BELT—

Another very valuable berry for the amateur. The fruit grows to very large size, and is very attractive in appearance. Quality good. Season medium late. A valuable berry for the home garden.

(Those with letter "P" after them are imperfect flowering, and require a perfect flowering variety blooming at the same season planted beside them.)

69. WOOLVERTON--

Another valuable variety of Canadian origin. It is a fair yielder, and the fruit is of superior quality. This is a valuable variety for the home garden.

Raspberries.

Following the strawberry in season of ripening comes the Raspberry, which helps to fill up the gap till Apple season, and this fruit is fast becoming a prominent part of the fruit-growers' crop.

They should be planted in every garden for the sake of succession, and of the excellent quality of many of the varieties.

VARIETIES

Red.

CUTHBERT, or Queen of the Market—

An old reliable berry, grown very extensively everywhere that raspberries are grown; fruit large, firm and of good quality.

LOUDON—

We prefer this to the previous variety, as it is hardier. They only grow about four feet high and stand upright, and we are not bothered with them hanging across the paths and scratching our hands as we pass them. The canes are almost thornless, and the fruit is as good in every respect as Cuthbert.

MILLER—

A very good early variety.

HERSTEIN—

A very fine berry for the home garden, but not as hardy as Loudon.

HERBERT—

For description see next page.

Yellow.

GOLDEN QUEEN--

The best yellow raspberry.

BRINGLE ORANGE—

A very good variety.

Purple.

SHAFFER'S COLOSSAL—

A rank-growing variety, often making 10 feet of growth in a single season. This is a tip variety, and does not spread like the red and yellow varieties.

COLUMBIAN—

Identically the same as Shaffer, except in color of cane. The Columbian cane is pink while that of Shaffer is dark purplish blue.

Black.

OLDER—

A very desirable hardy variety.

OHIO—

Considerably like Older.

PALMER—

We have not fruited this yet.

SMITH'S GIANT—

A fine berry but cane is rather tender for this locality.

ICEBERG—

The wonderful "white blackberry." Same in every way as the black raspberry, only fruit is white.

CUMBERLAND—

Claimed to be the largest blackcap grown. It is an immense yielder, and fast becoming a great favorite. It is called "The Business Blackcap" and it is well named.

The Wonderful New Seedling Raspberry, Herbert.

The Originator says of it :

"The Herbert is the best of 30 seedling Raspberries fruited during the last 12 years, and after careful comparison with all the leading varieties, I can confidently say that it is very much superior to any of them. In hardiness, it easily takes first place, standing a lower temperature than any other kind. The cane is very strong and vigorous, slightly prickly, leaves large and healthy, and has never been affected by Anthracnose, or disease of any kind. Fruit bright red, somewhat oblong, the largest of all red raspberries, larger than Cuthbert or Loudon. Flavor, very sweet and juicy, the very best for table use. Enormously productive, will bear twice the crop of either Cuthbert or Loudon, under the same conditions. Season, 5 or 6 days before Cuthbert. Holds its size well to end of season."

The Originator, Mr R. B. Whyte, of Ottawa, Canada, is a thoroughly reliable, and expert horticulturist, and his description is modest in the extreme, as our Manager, Mr Kerr, visited his grounds during fruiting season, three years ago, and was exceedingly pleased with the immense crop of fruit it bore, and with the high quality, size and beauty of the berries. Our old standards, Loudon and Cuthbert, growing beside it, were not to be compared with it, in any one particular, and the fact that it is very much hardier than either of the others, is a valuable feature.

Following is an extract from the Experimental Farm, Ottawa, Report of 1901 :

"The season of 1901 was very unfavorable for raspberries in this district. Owing to severe weather, the canes were badly winter-killed; the Cuthbert, which is the principal variety planted, being so badly injured that there was practically no fruit of that variety. Golden Queen appeared to be the tenderest, as there was not a cane left of this variety. A seedling originated by Mr R. B. Whyte, Ottawa, Ont., now called Herbert, was quite hardy and it yielded the best at the farm this year." It yielded that year, off a row 36 feet long, set 20 months before, 17 pounds, 2 oz. of fruit, while Cuthbert, on the same length of row and with the same treatment, yielded none; and Loudon only 2 lbs. 6½ oz.; Marlboro, 6 lbs. and 6½ oz.; and Miller 4 oz., so the superiority of the Herbert over all the other old varieties in point of hardiness and yield is easily apparent. Shaffer, with the same treatment, yielded but 8 lbs. 1 oz.; and Columbian 10 lbs. 2½ oz."

This last year, the Herbert was the only one that was worth recording. At the Experimental Station, at Geneva, New York, it has beaten everything else, and at the Agricultural College at Guelph it has had about the same success.

Mr H. Holz, Foreman of the Horticultural Department of the Experimental Farm, Ottawa, says of it :

"I have closely observed the Herbert Raspberry growing on the Farm, for the last four years, and I consider it ahead of Cuthbert, which is classed as the best Red Raspberry now on the Market. As judge at the Ottawa Horticultural Society's Exhibitions, for the last four years, I have been more favorably impressed with the merits of the fruit of Herbert than of any other variety, and have always awarded it first prize."

Mr W. A. Whitney, of Iroquois, Ont., says of it, in the report of The Ontario Fruit Growers' Association :

"I think the most desirable fruit we can think of to-day is this raspberry, but it is tantalizing to us when we find that we cannot get it. It is only in the hands of the Colleges and Mr Whyte. I would like to have it."

We are proud to announce that we have purchased the stock and control of this wonderful berry from Mr Whyte, and that it will be on the market in the autumn of 1904, and spring of 1905. It is, without doubt, the best red Raspberry in existence to-day, and it is bound to supercede all others as soon as it is put on the market.

The fact that it originated at the cold north, at Ottawa, Ont., where the thermometer often reaches 32 degrees below zero, and that it stands the climate there, uninjured, and that it out-yields all others in the more favorable climate of the Experimental Station, at Geneva, N. Y., and that it is much superior to any other in quality and size, and is several days earlier than Cuthbert, Loudon or Miller, is sufficient guarantee of the wonderful success that awaits this valuable new acquisition to the raspberry list.

All applications for information and stock of this variety should be addressed early to The Renfrew Nurseries Co., Limited, Renfrew, Ont., Canada.

Blackberries.

SNYDER—

A very hardy variety, productive, medium size; a standard variety for the north.

RATHBUN—

A tip Blackberry. We have not thoroughly tested it yet, but it came through last winter all right, when most raspberries were killed to the ground.

LUCRETIA DEWBERRY—

This is a member of the blackberry family of trailing habit, making it easy to protect in winter. The fruit grows to very large size, is quite acid, and makes most deliciously rich preserves.

Currants.

Red.

RED CROSS—

A strong growing, hardy variety, productive and of good quality.

VICTORIA—

Another strong-growing, productive, late variety.

NORTH STAR—

A productive, strong-growing, desirable variety.

LONDON MARKET—

Also a strong growing, large fruited, productive variety.

CHERRY—

An old well-known variety.

FAY'S PROLIFIC—

A very heavy yielder of large good fruit, but bush is a very straggling grower.

MOORE'S RUBY—

One of the finest, quality unsurpassed.

WILDER—

Similar to Moore's Ruby.

White.

WHITE GRAPE—

One of the finest.

WHITE GONDOIN—

We have not fruited this variety yet.

Black.

BLACK NAPLES—

An old standard.

LEE'S PROLIFIC—

A very productive variety; berry medium in size and quality.

BLACK CHAMPION—

One of the leading varieties.

BLACK VICTORIA—

A very large fruited variety; bound to be a leader.

BEAUTY, STANDARD and SUCCESS—

Three promising new varieties we have not fruited yet, and which we will not yet offer for sale.

Gooseberries.

DOWNING—

An old reliable variety; heavy yielder and free from mildew.

PEARL—

Similar to Downing, only a heavier yielder.

RED JACKET—

A comparatively new variety of much merit.

SMITH'S IMPROVED—

A large pale yellow variety of great productiveness.

Grapes.

This fruit is very easily grown, and gives a great deal of pleasure if properly cared for. But in this northern country they must be annually pruned back, and have winter protection, or they are no good.

Blue.

MOORE'S EARLY—

One of the best early varieties.

WORDEN—

A very fine variety; quality excellent. Early.

CAMPBELL'S EARLY—

A very promising variety; the earliest on our grounds, and quality first-class.

WILDER—

A very fine variety; flavor unexcelled.

White.

GOLDEN DROP—

An excellent little grape for the home garden.

GREEN MOUNTAIN—

A coming leader.

MOORE'S DIAMOND—

A very valuable variety. Bunch and berry very large. Strong grower, hardy, early.

NIAGARA—

A well-known popular variety.

Red.

DELAWARE—

A very popular home garden variety.

MOYER—

Similar to Delaware, but earlier.

BRIGHTON—

A very heavy yielding variety of good quality.

LINDLEY—

Another fine variety, and a great keeper.

AGAWAM—

A fine exhibition variety, but too late for extensive planting in this latitude.

Rhubarb.

MYATT'S LINNEUS—

The leading all-round variety; early and of best quality; a beautiful red variety.

VICTORIA—

A large variety, later than Linneus.

Asparagus.

CONOVER'S COLOSSAL—

A well-known popular market variety.

PALMETTO—

Rapidly coming into favor as a market variety.

Ornamental Shrubs.

1. AMPELOPSIS HIRSUTA—

(Self-fastening Virginia Creeper). This is one of the finest climbers grown. It was found growing wild in the bush near Ottawa, so it is hardy and well suited to a cold climate. A large vine growing on the residence of the Director of the Experimental Farm at Ottawa is a sight to behold. Although on the north-east corner, it is absolutely uninjured by the cold winters, in one of the most exposed places that could be found. Leaves and habit are similar to the old Virginia Creeper (*Ampelopsis Quinquefolia*), only it has tendrils similar to *Ampelopsis Veitchii*, and clings tenaciously to the wall without any support. This is new and bound to be very largely planted when more generally known.

2. AMPELOPSIS VEITCHII—

(Boston Ivy). A most beautiful climber from Japan. It clings tenaciously to any building or wall, and in a few years will reach the top of a high building. Its little thread-like branches reach in all directions, and rapidly cover the wall. The foliage lies close against the wall, and in autumn takes on most beautiful hues. It is slightly tender in this section, and requires to be covered with canvas or evergreen boughs for the first few winters, until it becomes established. It will always kill back some in winter, but when growth begins in spring the dead wood is soon covered again.

3. BLEEDING HEART—

An old favorite of our grandmother's garden, and deserves a place in any collection. It blooms very early in spring, when flowers are scarce, and bears an immense profusion of dark pink heart-shaped flowers.

4. ELEAGNUS LONGIPES—

A fine new shrub, producing scarlet edible berries.

5. GAILLARDIA GRANDIFLORA—

A valuable variety for borders. It blooms profusely all summer, and makes a very showy border or clump.

**6. HYDRANGEA PANICULATA
GRANDIFLORA—**

This is one of the finest of autumn flowering shrubs. Blooms in August and remains in bloom till blossoms are killed by frost, and produces immense blossoms, often ten inches long by six inches wide.

7. IRIS (Common)—

Another fine border plant, producing fine spikes of pretty, rich bluish yellow flowers.

8. JAPAN QUINCE—

A fine small-growing shrub, producing in early spring pretty scarlet flowers, followed by beautiful fruit about the size of large plums.

9. LILACS (White and Purple)—

Too well known to need description.

10. LILAC (Persian)

A variety with smaller leaf than the common variety, and does not spread so much.

11. LONICERA ALBERTI—

(Albert's Honeysuckle). A beautiful, very hardy, low growing variety that stands the climate in Manitoba and the North-west uninjured. This shrub is new and not much known, but is bound to be a favorite.

12. LONICERA TARTARICA—

(Tartarian or Upright Honeysuckle). This is a thrifty, rank-growing variety, which is covered in May with a profusion of pink flowers. This is a very desirable hardy shrub.

13. MAHONIA AQUIFOLIUM—

A beautiful, small plant, with pretty holly-like foliage, that remains on all winter. It grows only about a foot high, and is very effective planted in clumps.

14. PÆONIAS (White, Pink and Red)—

These are very showy bloomers, too well known to need description.

15. PURPLE BERBERRY—

A very interesting shrub, growing to a height of about four feet, with purple foliage, and scarlet berries, which remain on the bushes through the winter.

**16. PURPLE FRINGE or SMOKE
TREE—**

A beautiful, distinct, large shrub, much admired for its long feathery flower stalks, which give the tree the appearance of being covered with a cloud of smoke.

17. PYRUS BACCATA—

A very hardy, free-flowering crab. Stands climate of Manitoba uninjured, and is a beautiful bloomer. Fruit makes excellent jelly.

18. RUDBEKIA (Golden Glow)—

This plant is rapidly coming into favor on account of its profuse blooming habit. It grows about six feet high, and is covered nearly all summer with a profusion of yellow flowers. It is very showy, and the older it gets the more blossoms it produces.

19. SIBERIAN PEA TREE—

(*Caragana Arborescens*). This is one of the hardiest and most profuse blooming shrubs on the market. It stands the cold of Manitoba and the North-west uninjured, and gives a wonderful profusion of yellow pea-shaped blossoms in May. This shrub should be in every collection.

20. SNOWBALL (Common)—

Too well known to need description.

21. SNOWBALL (Japanese)—

A most beautiful variety; less afflicted with *Aphis* than the common variety.

22. SPIREA ANTONY WATERER—

This is a very showy variety, and continues in bloom a long time; blossoms bright pink.

23. SPIREA AUREA—

(Golden Leaved Spirea). This is quite attractive among a lot of shrubs, on account of the golden color of its foliage.

24. SPIREA BUMALDI—

Another very desirable variety.

25. SPIREA VAN HOUTII—

This is a very showy variety, blooms in May, and is covered with a great profusion of small clusters of white flowers. Every branch is a complete wreath in itself. This makes a very pretty small hedge, especially when in bloom.

26. SOUTHERN WORT (Old Man)—

The highly-scented, feathery-branched shrub of our grandmothers' gardens.

27. SYRINGA

(*Philadelphus* or Mock Orange). A strong-growing, hardy shrub, bearing beautiful, sweetly-scented blossoms, similar to orange blossoms.

28. THUNBERG'S BERBERRY.

A very pretty small bushy shrub, producing pretty little yellowish blossoms, which are followed by small berries which, when ripe, are a rich scarlet. The foliage in autumn takes on most beautiful shades. This shrub makes a very pretty low ornamental hedge.

29. YUCCA FILAMENTOSA—

A beautiful plant, with long sword-like leaves, and on the leaves there often appears long gray hairs. It sends up one or more spikes of flowers, which reach a height of about three feet. The individual flowers are white, bell-shaped, and about $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches to 2 inches long. It is a very attractive plant. It should have winter protection in this latitude.

Climbing Vines.

BIGNONIA RADICENS—

A valuable rapid growing climber, with large scarlet trumpet-shaped flowers, and handsome graceful foliage.

CLEMATIS PANICULATA—

The most rapid grower of its class. It is entirely hardy and vigorous, very fragrant, foliage dark green. It is clothed for a long time in the greatest profusion of bloom, and is a very desirable variety.

MATRIMONY VINE—

A very rapid-growing climber. Flowers rather insignificant, but they are followed by scarlet berries, which remain on all winter, making the vine very attractive.

THE BEAUTIFUL Siberian Pea Tree

(*Caragana Arborescens*)

This is one of the hardiest and best Flowering Shrubs in existence. It stands the cold of Manitoba and the North-West uninjured, and is a most prolific bloomer. But even when not in bloom the beautiful foliage and thrifty healthy habit of growth are very striking and attractive. The following is from the report of the Horticulturist, at the Central Experimental Farm at Ottawa :

Caragana Arborescens—Siberian pea-tree (Siberia). Height, 10 to 15 feet. In bloom, third week of May. Flowers, bright yellow and pea shaped. The delicate green leaves of this shrub open very early and are quite attractive throughout the summer. This is one of the hardiest shrubs grown.

Price delivered free in any part of Canada. Large Plants, each 50c., or 3 for \$1.00.

Second size, each 25c., or five for \$1.00.

Ornamental Trees

Cutleaved Weeping Birch.
Oakleaved Mountain Ash.
Manitoba Maples.
Norway Maples.
Sycamore Maples.
Schwedler's Maples.
Weir's Cutleaved Maples.
Lombardy Poplar.
Carolina Poplar.

Evergreens.

1. ARBOR VITAE PYRAMIDALIS—

A pretty pyramidal growing variety, attaining a height of about 10 to 15 feet, of very dense growth from the ground to the top. Very effective planted as single specimens on the lawn.

2. ARBOR VITAE GLOBOSE—

A very pretty small globular variety, also very effective as single specimens on the lawn.

3. ARBOR VITAE HOVEYII—

A very pretty small, dense growing variety.

4. ARBOR VITAE TOM THUMB—

A small dense growing variety, with very small fine foliage.

5. ARBOR VITAE GOLDEN—

A pretty small variety, with golden tipped foliage.

6. ARBOR VITAE VARIEGATED—

A pretty small growing variety, with silver tipped foliage.

7. AUSTRIAN PINE—

A very pretty bushy tree, very effective on the lawn. It grows to a good size, and is very hardy, and always attains a very pretty form.

8. IRISH JUNIPER—

A very pretty pyramidal growing, small evergreen, with steely green foliage, and very effective.

9. MOUNTAIN PINE and SCOTCH PINE—

Both valuable, hardy evergreens.

10. RETINOSPORA ERICOIDES FILIFERA—

A beautiful small growing evergreen with pretty feathery foliage.

Bulbs

HYACINTHS (Dutch)—

In variety of color, double and single. These are fast becoming favorite plants, either for the garden or house. Grown in the house they are potted as soon as re-

ceived in the fall, and put in the cellar or some dark, cool place, where they are kept a little moist for six weeks or longer, when they may be brought up to the light, where they will soon come into bloom, and one bulb in full bloom will perfume the whole house with a delicious perfume. They also make a beautiful show in early spring, planted in masses in the garden or lawns.

HYACINTHS (Roman)—

One of the finest bulbs for house culture. They bloom much earlier than Dutch Hyacinths, and give off a very dainty rich perfume.

NARCISSI—

(In variety, yellow and white, single and double.) Another favorite winter and early spring flowering bulb. Can also be grown either in the house or garden.

TULIPS—

(In variety of color, double and single.) These make a most gorgeous show in beds on the lawn. They bloom in very early spring, and their gorgeous colors make a most beautiful display. They are very easily grown, and are in all one of the most beautiful flowers in cultivation. They can also be grown in the house, and a pot containing half a dozen beautiful tulips in bloom is a sight long to be remembered.

DAHLIAS—

These are old favorite flowers, and some of our newer kinds make a most beautiful show, with their beautiful, large, showy, double flowers.

GLADIOLI—

Another most beautiful thing. They send up spikes of flowers 2 to 3 feet high, and make a most attractive display.

LILLIUM AURATUM—

One of the most beautiful flowers in cultivation. It may be grown either in pots or in the garden. It sends up a flower spike about three feet high, which bears

from six to a dozen large, most beautiful flowers, often measuring seven inches across. The petals are most beautifully marked, and the perfume from the blossoms is very rich and is very noticeable at long distances from the flower. It is certainly one of the finest lilies in cultivation.

TIGER LILY—

Too well known to need description.

Roses

CRIMSON RAMBLER—

A very rapid growing climber, often making 10 feet of growth in a single season. It is a most profuse bloomer and very showy. The individual blossoms are small, deep crimson and come in large clusters of from six to a dozen. It is a very desirable rose for training up the pillars of a verandah.

GEN. JACQUEMINOT—

A most beautiful dark crimson rose, a free and continuous bloomer, and certainly one of the most satisfactory roses in cultivation.

LA FRANCE—

A most beautiful, free-flowering pink rose.

PAUL NEYRON—

Another most beautiful pink rose, free bloomer, and blossoms are very large.

PERSIAN YELLOW—

The most satisfactory hardy yellow rose.

MADAM PLANTIERE—

The most satisfactory white rose. Very hardy, an immense bloomer, and makes a beautiful cemetery rose.

MOSS ROSES—

(Red, Pink and White.)

Apples

One of the most important fruits of this country. Owing to the long keeping qualities of many varieties, this fruit may be had throughout the whole year in its fresh state. Where soil and location are suitable there are very few crops that will pay as well as apples. But planters should be careful to buy only acclimated stock of varieties suitable for their location. We claim our hardy northern-grown stock is much better suited to cold climates than more southern-grown stock. The old time-worn argument of unscrupulous nurserymen of the south and west, that northern-grown trees are black-hearted and short-lived, is all nonsense and absolutely contrary to fact. The oldest and best orchards in this country are practically all northern grown trees, and our stock is as healthy and thrifty as any that ever grew, and besides, we have no tender varieties, because we cannot grow them. But such varieties as we have are all first-class stock, and sure to please our customers.

We would advise our customers to plant young vigorous trees in preference to the large overgrown stock sent out by some nurserymen. The young trees can be taken up with more perfect roots, and are surer to grow, and in five years will be much larger and better trees than if old trees are planted to start with.

VARIETIES

Early Summer

YELLOW TRANSPARENT—

A very hardy early-bearing variety, of Russian origin. Fruit, large yellowish white, of excellent quality, ripe early in August.

RED ASTRACHAN—

Another hardy Russian variety; fruit beautiful in color, but more acid, and tree not so hardy as Yellow Transparent.

TETOFISKY—

Also a hardy Russian variety; fruit similar to Yellow Transparent, only smaller, and sometimes showing slight streaks of red. Ripens very early.

Autumn

DUCHESS OF OLDENBURG—

A very hardy Russian variety, and about the most satisfactory variety on the market for its season. If any variety will stand our soil and climate the Duchess will.

Early Winter

WEALTHY—

One of the hardiest and most prolific fruiters grown. Fruit large, beautiful color, and of very good quality. Fruit will keep till midwinter.

McINTOSH RED—

This is one of the finest flavored apples grown. Fruit good size and beautiful in appearance. Tree hardy, and a fairly good yielder.

We can also supply, as long as our stock lasts, such varieties as Gideon, McMahon's White, Longfield, Fameuse or Snow, Golden Russett, Scarlet Pippin, Uncle Sam, Pewaukee, Baxter, La Rue, Ben Davis, Gano, Scott's Winter and a few others.

Plums

We do not grow the Domestic and Japanese plums, as they are a total failure in our northern climate. We pin our faith in the American family, and the time is not far distant when the people of our northern district will be well supplied with this most desirable fruit. The trees of most varieties are absolutely hardy, are very young and prolific bearers, and our patrons may depend upon a good crop of fruit almost every year. The trees often bear before sent out of the nurseries. The people of northern dis-

tricts are beginning to realize the value of these hardy plums, and we are already almost sold out of stock. We have only a few trees of Hawkeye, DeSota, Weaver, Cheney and Wolf unsold at this season. But we expect to be able to supply a very large stock of several other very fine varieties for next season.

Of Cherries we can supply Early Richmond, Olivet and Ostheim.

Of Pears, Flemish Beauty is the only good one that will stand our climate.

Beans.

Field.

GOLDEN DROP—

A very heavy yielder of the very finest baking beans we ever saw ; beans medium size and a rich greenish yellow in color.

BOSTON PEA BEAN—

A small almost round very productive white bean of best quality.

MAMMOTH POLE BEAN—

Pods very large, flat ; beans flat, of good quality, and a heavy yielder.

Butter or Wax.

EARLY DWARF WAX—

A very early variety of excellent quality. Heavy yielder ; beans black when ripe.

YOSEMITE MAMMOTH—

A large red bean, heavy yielder of very large pods of good quality.

Perennial Onions.

EGYPTIAN TREE ONION—

A very fine onion for early spring. It furnishes green onions of mild flavor almost as soon as the frost is out of the ground. We sold our first green onions last spring on April 18th.

PERENNIAL WONDER—

Similar to Egyptian, only grown from seeds instead of sets. Seed is sown in spring and cultivated same as other onions, but are left in the ground over winter, and are ready to pull for green onions shortly after the snow is off. Any that are not dug in the spring go to seed during summer, and planters can produce their own seed and seed to sell. These perennial onions require very little attention, and owing to their coming in to use so early are very valuable for the market gardener or private family.

Testimonials.

Ottawa, October 26, 1901.

Dear Mr Kerr,—

I enclose you money order for plants received. The prices were all right, and so were the plants. Kindly acknowledge.

Yours truly,

W. A. DIER.

Lombardy, Dec. 23, 1901.

W. J. Kerr, Esq.,

Renfrew, Ont.

Dear Sir,—The strawberry plants I got from you in the spring of 1900, to plant an acre of ground, were all first-class plants. I do not think we lost a single plant, and last summer we had an enormous crop of berries of first-class quality. We had been getting plants from other nurseries for years, but never succeeded in raising any berries. The ornamental shrubs, apples and plum trees I bought from you have done well, and made a rapid growth. And with regard to your prices, I could not buy as cheap from any of the western nurserymen. Wishing you every success in your enterprise.

Yours truly,

R. DUFFIELD.

Beebe Plain, P.Q., Dec. 12, 1901.

W. J. Kerr, Esq.,

Dear Sir,—Replying to yours of the 7th instant, we find your strawberry plants the best of any we use in our trade, both in hardiness and vigor. You certainly ought to be patronized by every person needing strawberries. Our wants will be about twenty thousand next spring. How many will you have?

Yours truly,

MILLER & HOUSE.

Sault Ste. Marie, May 19th, 1902.

Renfrew Nursery Co.,

Please find enclosed Dom. Express money order to cover amount of account for trees and plants. Trees arrived all right in good condition, for which we thank you.

Yours truly,

MRS ROBT. MILLER.

Wolfe Island, Dec. 17, 1901.

W. J. Kerr, Esq.,

Dear Sir,—I wish to say that the strawberry plants purchased from you last spring did exceedingly well. We have grown strawberries for the last twenty years, but never had such luck as we had with yours.

I visited your nurseries last fall. Your trees and shrubs were young and thrifty.

Your strawberries were all varieties of the best quality.

Yours truly,

GRANT PYKE.

Newboro, Feb. 10th, 1903.

To Mr W. J. Kerr,

Dear Sir,—I received your letter and I am perfectly satisfied with the prices you have for your plants. I know I could not better myself anywhere else. I can assure you that you shall always have my orders, every time I need any plants or trees. You can book my order for Bisel, 200; Busters, 200; Clydes, 400; Williams, 400; Crescent, 1,000. I think this is as many as I can take care of for this season.

J. R. GREEN.

Billings Bridge, Ont., March 8th, 1903.

Mr W. J. Kerr, Renfrew,

Dear Sir,—Have you in your nurseries any hardy perpetual roses that would thrive in this locality. I wish to plant out a few of the very best H. P. roses, and think if I get them from you they would be sure to do well.

I had the best of success with the bulbs you sent me a year ago last November, and the house was filled with bloom and perfume nearly all winter, to the great pleasure of myself and the admiration of my callers.

Kindly let me know if you have those plants, and their price, and oblige.

Yours sincerely,

MRS WILL ELLIS.

HENS.



The hen and her products are fast becoming leading features in the commercial wealth of this country.

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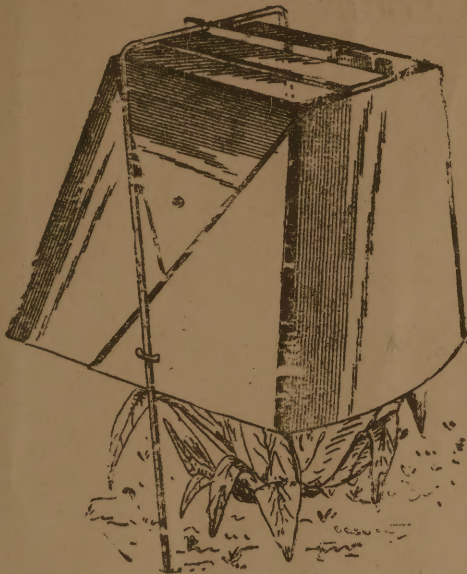
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